



**REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES  
for  
Wednesday, June 23, 2004  
4:00 P.M. – Council Chamber Boardroom  
and  
5:30 P.M. - Art Pick Council Chambers  
3900 Main Street, Riverside, CA**

**CASE REVIEW – 4:00 P.M.**

**Roll Call**

Present: Commissioners Brewer, Corral, Garcia, Gardner, Huerta, Pearcy, Quinto (left early), and Ward

Absent: Commissioner Davidson

**Public Comment**

There were no public comments.

**Closed Session – Case Reviews**

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, the Commission adjourned to Closed Session at 4:06 p.m. to discuss issues pertaining to PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERSONNEL MATTERS.

<u>CPRC CASE NO.</u>	<u>IA CASE NO.</u>	<u>CPRC CASE NO.</u>	<u>IA CASE NO.</u>
03-071	PC-03-269-064	03-079	PC-03-297-278
04-002	PC-04-011-083	04-003	PC-04-019-175
04-008	PC-04-029-260	04-010	PC-04-040-290
04-011	PC-04-041-099	04-013	PC-04-051-215
04-017	PC-04-063-127	04-020	PC-04-072-014
04-026	PC-04-106-096		

The Commission recessed at 5:15 p.m. to reconvene in the Council Chambers at 5:30 p.m.

## **OPEN SESSION – 5:30 P.M.**

**The following proceedings have been digitally recorded.  
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Chairman Gardner led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Gardner asked Ms. Sherron to confirm commissioner attendance.

### **Roll Call**

Present: Commissioners Brewer, Corral, Garcia, Gardner, Huerta, Percy, and Ward

Absent: Commissioners Davidson & Quinto

### **Approval of Minutes**

Approval of minutes carried over to next meeting because some commissioners did not receive the e-mails with the minutes.

### **Executive Director's Report & Comments**

The Executive Director had nothing to report.

### **Commissioner's Comments**

Chairman Gardner

- commented on Councilmember Gage's motion to reduce the CPRC budget during a City Council Budget meeting, which, after discussion, died for lack of a second;
- commented on the formal adoption of the City budget by City Council on June 22;
- commented on the CPRC issues discussed at the June 22 City Council meeting when Council voted to send potential changes to Commission membership to the Governmental Affairs Committee.

Commissioner Huerta

- commented on her speech to Council on June 22;
- said she would be attending all Council committee meetings.

Commissioner Percy

- asked staff to look at Council agenda to make sure that anything that might affect the Commission is shared with the other commissioners.

Commissioner Garcia

- agreed with Commissioner Percy's request
- said that the Casa Blanca committee would like someone in addition to him at CAG and AIRS meetings.

Commissioner Corral

- thanked Councilmember Betro for his support and Mary Shelton for calling her.

## **Public Comments**

### **Mary Shelton**

Ms. Shelton asked where the figure of 85% of decisions being overturned that was in the minutes of several meetings ago come from.

Chairman Gardner told her the Commission has received no response from the RPOA regarding this issue.

### **Ralph Avila**

Mr. Avila thanked commissioners for serving; asked the Commission to look into the Adam Brown case; he is waiting for the Commission to come around to see how officers lie on reports and statements.

Chairman Gardner told Mr. Avila that no complaint has been filed in the Brown case and criminal charges are more serious than anything the Commission would do.

## **Commissioner Training by RPD – Session 2 of 8**

Lt. John De La Rosa and Sgt. Larry Gonzales presented training updates regarding:

- AG # 69 Use of Force Scene Assessment
- Report Writing - Use of Force Card
- Less Lethal Options for Patrol Officers

## **2004 NACOLE Conference**

The Commission discussed and voted on who to send to the conference. The Budget Committee recommended sending three people – the Chair, Vice-Chair and Executive Director or Commissioner Percy. Other points of discussion included:

- Commissioner Huerta withdrew and said that Commissioner Percy, Outreach Chair, should go and she would consider going if Executive Director decides not to go.
- Commissioner Garcia thinks all should get a chance to go.
- Chairman Gardner thinks it sends the wrong message if we send a majority of Commission to Chicago
- Commissioner Garcia disagreed and thinks more would be better.
- Commissioner Ward thinks that different people should go, not the same ones as before.
- Commissioner Huerta thinks it is important that leadership goes.
- Commissioner Percy thought his experience at the L.A. conference was beneficial but acknowledged we are under a micro-scope and there are people who would like to see us be defunded or done away with.

Commissioner Huerta made a motion to send the chair, the Outreach Committee chair, and a third individual, to be named later, to Chicago. Commissioner Brewer seconded. The motion passed 5 for and 2 against. Chairman Gardner said the Commission would try to find funding for others to go.

## **Committee Reports**

- A) Outreach Committee – Commissioner Percy, Chair  
Commissioner Percy

- reported that he spoke to the Sunrise Rotary Club
- said that staff is working with the Office of Neighborhoods to get outreach opportunities
- said he was going to be speaking at the expanded RPD Command Staff meeting

B) Budget Committee – Commissioner Brewer, Chair

Commissioner Brewer said that he had nothing to add to the recommendation made by the Budget Committee during the agenda item regarding the NACOLE Conference.

**Volne Stokes Officer-Involved Death Case**

After discussion, Chairman Gardner asked staff to obtain the RPD training materials that cover the tactics cited in the draft public report.

**Rene Guevara Officer-Involved Death Case**

Chairman Gardner said that the commissioners need to start reviewing this case. He said he hopes to review in August.

The Commission adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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